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### **SUBPART 5302.1—DEFINITIONS**

#### **5302.101 Definitions.**

“Acquisition Category (ACAT)” means one of three categories used to determine the milestone decision authority for an acquisition program as described in DOD 5000.2-R, Mandatory Procedures for Major Defense Acquisition Programs (MDAPs) and Major Automated Information System (MAIS) Acquisition Programs.

“Air Force Acquisition Executive (AFAE)” means the senior corporate operating official for acquisition. The term is synonymous with Component Acquisition Executive (CAE), formerly referred to as the Service Acquisition Executive (SAE). The AFAE is the Assistant Secretary of the Air Force (Acquisition), ASAF(A), and is accountable to the Secretary of the Air Force. The ASAF(A) is also the Senior Procurement Executive (SPE).

“Base or installation commander” means an individual who functions in a command position and is responsible for a base or other Air Force installation having a base contracting office. This term includes the Logistics Group Commander for contracting related matters.

“Buying Office Contracting Official (BOCO)” means an individual within AFMC serving in the position of Chief of the Contracting Division in a System Program Office or Program/Product Directorate in support of a System Program Director, System Support Manager, Development Support Manager, or Commodity Manager. Unless specifically excepted, this term may include, at the option of the designated official, the deputy chief of the same office.

“Central acquisition” means the purchase of all requirements of specified supplies or services by a designated purchasing office for use throughout the Air Force.

“Chief of contracting office” means any person who has direct managerial responsibility for the operation of a contracting office as defined in FAR Subpart 2.1. Unless specifically excepted, this term may include, at the option of the designated chief, the deputy chief or acting chief of the contracting office.

“Designated Acquisition Commander (DAC)” means the individual who supervises execution of programs that are not assigned to a PEO. The commanders of AFMC product centers and logistics centers act in this capacity. DACs, like PEOs, are accountable to the AFAE.

“Designee” means an individual authorized to perform any act or make determinations contemplated in the FAR, DFARS, or this Supplement when such authority is vested in the “Head of the Contracting Activity or Designee.” Designee may include one or more officials.

“Development/Production Action (DEV/PROD)” means, for purposes of determining the type of contract action under business clearance and contract clearance procedures, any development (see FAR 35.001) effort with system specific application, low rate initial production, and full rate production of a weapon system (e.g., B-1, F-15, missile) or major subsystem (e.g., B-1 engine). Development includes those advanced development efforts (6.3B funds) for demonstration and validation and all engineering and manufacturing development (6.4 funds). This term is applicable to both PEO and DAC contract actions.

“Development System Manager (DSM)” means the lead individual at an AFMC product center when a single manager (SPD, PGM, or MGM) located at another center delegates a specific development task to a product center. The DSM reports directly to the single manager. (See AFMCP 800-60, Attachment A4).

“Head of the Agency” means, pursuant to Secretary of the Air Force Orders (SAFOs) 100.1 and 650.4, the Assistant Secretary of the Air Force (Acquisition), ASAF(A), is authorized to act for and with the authority of the Secretary of the Air Force as head of the agency for acquisition matters, except for actions that, by the terms of a statute or delegation, must be done personally by the Secretary of the Air Force or the Under Secretary of the Air Force. In the absence of the ASAF(A), the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Air Force (Acquisition & Management), PDASAF(A&M), is authorized to act for and with the authority of the Secretary of the Air Force as head of the agency for acquisition matters.

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“Local purchase” means the authorized purchase of materials, supplies, and services by an installation for its own use or the use of an installation or activity logistically supported by it. Local purchase is not limited to the immediate geographical area in which the purchasing installation is located. Except as specifically authorized by this Supplement, local purchase will be consolidated under one office at the Air Force installation.

“Major Program” means a Department of Defense acquisition program that is not a highly sensitive classified program (as determined by the Secretary of Defense) and that is so designated by the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition); or that is estimated by the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition) to require an eventual total expenditure for research, development, test and evaluation of more than \$200 million based on fiscal year 1980 constant dollars (\$300 million based on fiscal year 1990 constant dollars) or eventual total expenditure for procurement of more than \$1 billion based on fiscal year 1980 constant dollars (\$1.5 billion based on fiscal year 1990 constant dollars). The term Major Program is synonymous with Major Defense Acquisition Program (MDAP). Major Programs fall into two categories: “Defense Acquisition Board (DAB)” and “Component.” The category is determined by the milestone decision approving authority.

“Major Program/Selected Program assigned to a PEO” means, when used to determine type of program, any contractual action in support of a Major or Selected Program that is procured in a SPO and assigned to a PEO.

“Ordering officer” means the individual authorized by a DOD contracting officer to issue specific calls or orders for supplies or services against prepriced blanket purchase agreements or other prepriced contracts. Such authority may include signature on a DD Form 1155 as an “ordering officer.”

“Other Contracting” means those efforts taken to support acquisition programs, maintain and repair fielded weapon systems, and support Air Force operations. The term includes, but is not limited to, contracts for local purchase and other operational support; replenishment spares; programmed depot maintenance; weapon system modifications which do not involve significant development; contractor logistics support; manpower and support; and science and technology (i.e., research, exploratory development or advanced development that is bought in a laboratory and not intended for a system specific application (6.1, 6.2, or 6.3A funds)).

“Other Program” means those ACAT II and III (non-major) programs that are not selected by the AFAE for special oversight.

“Overseas command” means MAJCOMs located in possessions of the United States, and in Puerto Rico, Alaska, the Panama Canal Zone, and Hawaii, as well as those in foreign countries.

“Program Director (PD)/Program Manager (PM)/System Program Director (SPD)” means the operating official responsible for the execution of a program within the approved Acquisition Program Baseline. This individual is accountable to the AFAE through the Program Executive Officer (PEO) if the program is a Major or Selected Program assigned to a PEO, or through the DAC if the program is an Other Program or a Major Program not assigned to a PEO.

“Program Executive Officer (PEO)” means the corporate operating official who supervises an assigned portfolio of mission-related Major and Selected Programs. The PEO is accountable to the AFAE.

“Selected Program” means those programs, normally ACAT II, selected by the AFAE for special oversight and assigned to the management portfolio of a PEO.

“Senior Center Contracting Official (SCCO)” means an individual in an AFMC direct reporting unit (i.e., Aeronautical Systems Center, Air Force Development Test Center, Air Force Flight Test Center, Air Force Office of Scientific Research, Arnold Engineering Development Center, Electronic Systems Center, Human Systems Center, Oklahoma City Air Logistics Center, Ogden Air Logistics Center, Sacramento Air Logistics Center, San Antonio Air Logistics Center, Space and Missile Systems Center, or Warner Robins Air Logistics Center) serving in the position of Director of Contracting and reporting directly to the Center Commander or the Director of AFOSR. This authority may also be exercised by the Deputy Director of Contracting, Assistant Director of Contracting, and the Technical Assistant to the Director of Contracting.

“Senior Laboratory Contracting Official” means an individual in an AFMC subordinate unit (i.e., Rome Laboratory, Wright Laboratory or Phillips Laboratory) serving in the position of Director of Contracting and directly supporting the laboratory commander.

“Single Acquisition Management Plan (SAMP)” means a concise, comprehensive program document which serves two functions: (1) it is the management plan program managers follow to successfully execute the acquisition of a requirement; and (2) it is the supporting documentation which enables a program decision authority to reach a milestone decision.

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“Support/Sustainment Action (SUP/SUST)” means, for purposes of determining the type of contract action under business clearance and contract clearance procedures, all actions other than development/production action. This term includes, but is not limited to, equipment/support equipment, replenishment spares, modifications, overhaul/maintenance/repair, interim contractor support, and other services. This term is applicable to PEO, DAC, and Other Contracting contract actions.

“System Program Office (SPO)” means the integrated AFMC organization responsible for cradle-to-grave military system management.

“System Support Manager (SSM)” means the individual at a logistics center with overall responsibility for support when the SPD is located at the product center. The SSM is directly accountable to the SPD.

“Technology Executive Officer (TEO)” means the individual who administers the Science & Technology (S&T) program and reports on S&T matters directly to the AFAE. The TEO is the Deputy Chief of Staff for Technology (HQ AFMC/ST) and is the PEO/DAC equivalent for S&T programs.

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